

What is claimed is:

1. Apparatus for forming wide paint film parts, comprising a frame; and, attached to the frame, at least two paint film stock grasping members, which generally oppose one another, which can grasp deformable paint film stock, at least one of which can be moved apart from the other while the stock is grasped.

2. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the frame has lateral support members in a rectangular or square arrangement, and the grasping members include orthogonal, oblique and corner types.

3. The apparatus of claim 1, which is electrically controlled and/or pneumatically actuated.

4. A method for forming wide paint film parts, comprising:
providing apparatus for forming wide paint film parts, having a frame; and, attached to the frame, at least two paint film stock grasping members, which generally oppose one another, which can grasp deformable paint film stock, at least one of which can be moved apart from the other while the stock is grasped;

providing a deformable paint film stock;

grasping the stock on generally opposing sides by at least two paint film stock grasping members; and

moving, while the stock is so grasped, the at least one of the two paint film stock grasping members apart from the other so as to draw or stretch the stock.

5. An article of manufacture comprising a drawn or stretched paint film stock part precursor or a formed wide paint film stock part.